

**SITUATION REPORT NO. 1**  
**INCIDENT NO. 2001-103**  
**DATE: September 11, 2001    TIME: 4:00 p.m.**

TO: Governor John Hoeven  
State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: Increased Security – In response to an apparent series of terrorist attacks on the United States, North Dakota state agencies and military installations have taken precautions to increase security.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: No deaths or injuries have been reported in North Dakota.
3. DAMAGES: No terrorist-related damages have been reported in North Dakota.
4. RESOURCES:

LOCAL: Local agencies on heightened alert include law enforcement, fire departments, city and county administration offices, human services, public works departments, communications centers, emergency management offices and ambulance services.

STATE: All state agencies have initiated increased security measures.

FEDERAL: Federal agencies involved with increased security efforts in North Dakota include the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

5. VOLUNTEER ACTION: The Mental Health Association in North Dakota has notified North Dakota Emergency Management that its toll-free line is available for people who may need assistance in coping with terrorist events. The number is (800) 472-2911.

Grand Forks officials report that the American Red Cross has established a Family Welfare Crisis Line at (218) 773-9565. Central High School has counselors available to assist students with any family or friends impacted by the attack.

6. MAJOR ACTIONS: Governor John Hoeven today expressed his sympathy for the victims and families of terrorist attacks and announced measures to provide security and additional preparedness for North Dakotans. Governor Hoeven activated the state Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and placed all state agencies and security forces on heightened alert. At the governor's direction, North Dakota Emergency Management issued a statement to state agency directors and employees asking them to be alert to any suspicious activity around their workplace. They were directed to follow agency standard operating procedures for increased security measures and/or bomb threats.

All North Dakota National Guard facilities and all North Dakota installations of the United States Air Force have been placed on Force Protection Condition Delta (Threatcon Delta), a high security status issued when a threat incident is in progress.

The National Guard has activated its EOC at the Raymond J. Bohn Armory in Bismarck.

The North Dakota Highway Patrol has increased security at the State Capitol grounds.

The Highway Patrol and the N.D. Department of Transportation (DOT) have barricaded N.D. Highway 200 around the Garrison Dam as a security measure. The N.D. Game and Fish Department has provided office space and resources for this effort.

The North Dakota Aeronautics Commission reported that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has canceled all commercial and general aviation flight activity across the nation except for military and emergency aircraft. All airborne aircraft were ordered to proceed to the nearest airport. All commercial service airports were directed to place a security officer in each terminal building.

A commercial airliner from Saskatchewan, Canada, was diverted today to the Grand Forks Airport as a precautionary measure. The Grand Forks Bomb Squad was searching the plane. Also today, Grand Forks city and county officials met to review security measures. Other participants included representatives of the Highway Patrol, American Red Cross and Xcel Energy. As part of increased security measures taking place in the county, the University of North Dakota (UND) secured its aircraft and the Grand Forks Airport has been closed. The Grand Forks Air Force has also increased security and is taking precautions to protect its fuel, electrical and water services. Northeast Human Services has established a phone line for counseling services.

The N.D. Department of Health received a health alert notice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) urging heightened surveillance of any unusual disease occurrence or increased numbers of illnesses that may be associated with today's crisis.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: As indicated.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: As indicated.
9. OTHER INFORMATION: The N.D. Division of Emergency Management's Situation Reports are posted on the Division's Internet home page. The address is <http://www.state.nd.us/dem>.

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